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Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action dated October 18, 2001 ("Office Action") issued in the above-identified patent application ("subject application"), Applicants herein amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification

Please replace the ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE on page 202 of the specification, as

follows:

ABSTRACTOF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to polymerization initiators. Embodiments of the present invention comprise multifunctional polymerization initiators comprising at least one site